

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that my residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, and I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the INVENTION ENTITLED AQUEOUS COATING COMPOSITION
GIVING COATINGS HAVING IMPROVED EARLY HARDNESS AND TACK-RESISTANCE
the specification of which (CHECK applicable BOX(ES))

-> [] is attached hereto.

-> [X] was filed on January 24, 1997 as U.S. Application No. 08/ 776,264

BOX(ES) -> [X] was filed as PCT International Application No. PCT/ EP95/ 02821 on 14 July 1995

-> and (if applicable to U.S. or PCT application) was amended on

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate filed by me or my assignee disclosing the subject matter claimed in this application and having a filing date (1) before that of the application on which priority is claimed, or (2) if no priority claimed, before the filing date of this application:

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)		Date first laid-	Date Patented	Priority Claimed
Number	Country	open or Published	or Granted	Yes No
9414922.6	GB	25 July 1994		Yes

I hereby claim domestic priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120/365 of the indicated United States applications listed below and PCT international applications listed above or below and, if this is a continuation-in-part (CIP) application, insofar as the subject matter disclosed and claimed in this application is in addition to that disclosed in such prior applications, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56 which became available between the filing date of each such prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

PRIOR U.S. PROVISIONAL, NONPROVISIONAL AND/OR PCT APPLICATION(S)		Status	Priority Claimed
Application No. (series code/serial no.)	Day/MONTH/Year Filed	pending, abandoned, patented	Yes No
PCT/EP95/02821	14 July 1995	Pending	Yes

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

And I hereby appoint Cushman Darby & Cushman Intellectual Property Group of Pillsbury Madison & Sutro LLP, 1100 New York Avenue, N.W., Ninth Floor, East Tower, Washington, D.C. 20005-3918, telephone number (202) 861-3000 (to whom all communications are to be directed), and the below-named persons (of the same address) individually and collectively my attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and with the resulting patent, and I hereby authorize them to delete names/numbers below of persons no longer with their firm and to act and rely on instructions from and communicate directly with the person/assignee/attorney/firm/organization who/which first sends/sent this case to them and by whom/which I hereby declare that I have consented after full disclosure to be represented unless/until I instruct the above firm and/or a below attorney in writing to the contrary.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Philip Louis Taylor

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For: *AQUEOUS COATING COMPOSITION GIVING COATINGS HAVING
IMPROVED EARLY HARDNESS AND TACK RESISTANCE*

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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**POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE OF ENTIRE INTEREST
AND REVOCATION OF PRIOR POWERS**

Sir:

As owner of the entire interest of the above-identified patent application, all powers of attorney previously given are hereby revoked and the following attorneys and agents are hereby appointed to prosecute and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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The undersigned signatory (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee, and has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application and, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee Imperial Chemical Industries, PLC.

IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES, PLC

By: Alan Victor Coates

Title: European Patent and Trade Mark Attorney
Attorney to Imperial Chemical Industries PLC
in respect of patents and trade marks.

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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)

Applicant: Philip Louis Taylor

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For: AQUEOUS COATING COMPOSITION GIVING COATINGS
HAVING IMPROVED EARLY HARDNESS AND TACK RESISTANCE

Imperial Chemical Industries Plc

an English Public Company

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

certifies that it is the assignee of all rights, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of:

[X] An assignment of the patent application identified above from PHILIP LOUIS TAYLOR to IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES, PLC. The assignment was recorded in the Patent and Trademark Office on MARCH 24, 1997, at Reel 8533, Frame 0402, or for which a copy thereof is attached.

OR

[] A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

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[] Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplement sheet.

[] Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

The undersigned has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application identified above and, to the best of undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to act on behalf of the assignee.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date : 16th September 1998

Name : P. L. Taylor

Title : Paints Research Associate

Signature : P. L. Taylor

ASSIGNMENT

Whereas I/We

*Philip Louis TAYLOR of "Heathlands", 74 Stomp Road, Burnham, Buckinghamshire,
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have invented certain new and useful improvements in

Aqueous Coating Compositions giving coatings having improved early hardness and tack-resistance

as fully set forth and described in the specification which is attached hereto

AND WHEREAS

Imperial Chemical Industries PLC

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is desirous of acquiring in and for the United States, the entire right, title and the interest in and to the said invention and Letters Patent of the United States to be obtained therefor.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises and good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, I/we have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do hereby sell, assign and transfer unto the said

IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES PLC

the entire right, title and interest in and to the said invention in and for the United States, and Letters Patent of the United States which may be granted therefor, the same to be held and enjoyed by the said

IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES PLC

its successors, assigns and legal representatives, to the full end of the term for which the Letters Patent may be granted as fully and entirely as the same would been held and enjoyed by me/us of this assignment and sale has not been made; and I/we hereby request the Commissioner of Patents to issue the Letters Patent to

IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES PLC
in accordance with this assignment.

IN WITNESS HEREOF, I/we have hereunto set my/our hands;

this 21 day of February 1997

P. L. Taylor

Philip Louis TAYLOR

In the presence of

Alan Victor Cooper
Clive Webb